

What is claimed:

1.) An article of manufacture, comprising: a pre-measured portion of a granular baking ingredient, enclosed in a suitable container.

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2.) The article of claim 1, wherein said pre-measured portion is larger than 1/8 cup.

3.) The article of claim 1, wherein said pre-measured portion is selected from the group consisting of 1 cup, 3/4 cup, 2/3 cup, 1/2 cup, 1/3 cup, 1/4 cup, and 1/8 cup.

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4.) The article of claim 1, wherein said pre-measured portion is selected from the group consisting of 250 g, 200 g, 150 g, 100 g, and 50 g.

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5.) The article of claim 1, wherein said baking ingredient comprises granular chocolate.

6.) The article of claim 1, wherein said baking ingredient comprises brown sugar.

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7.) The article of claim 6, wherein said brown sugar comprises loosely-packed brown sugar, and said pre-measured portion is an amount equivalent to a pre-measured quantity of firmly-packed brown sugar. *by weight?*

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8.) The article of claim 1, wherein said article comprises a plurality of pre-measured portions, each enclosed in an individual container.

9.) The article of claim 8, wherein said plurality of pre-measured portions comprises a plurality of different sized portions.

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10.) The article of claim 9, wherein at least one pre-measured portion size is selected from the group consisting of 1 cup, 3/4 cup, 2/3 cup, 1/2 cup, 1/3 cup, 1/4 cup, and 1/8 cup.

11.) The article of claim 9, wherein at least one pre-measured portion size is selected from the group consisting of 250 g, 200 g, 150 g, 100 g, and 50 g.

12.) The article of claim 1, wherein said container is cleavable, and said article comprises a mark indicating a fraction of said pre-measured portion, wherein said container is cleavable at said mark to provide a second pre-measured portion.

5 13.) The article of claim 12, wherein said baking ingredient comprises brown sugar.

14.) The article of claim 13, wherein said brown sugar comprises firmly packed brown sugar, in the shape of a regular solid.

10 15.) The article of claim 14, wherein said second pre-measured portion is selected from the group consisting of $\frac{3}{4}$ cup, $\frac{2}{3}$ cup, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup, $\frac{1}{3}$ cup, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup, and $\frac{1}{8}$ cup.

16.) The article of claim 12, wherein said article comprises a plurality of marks.

15 17.) The article of claim 12, wherein said mark is present on said container.

18.) The article of claim 14, wherein said marks are present on the surface of said regular solid.

20 19.) An article of manufacture, comprising a plurality of bags, each bag comprising a pre-measured portion of a granular baking ingredient.

20.) The article of claim 19, wherein the granular baking ingredient comprises brown sugar.

25 21.) The article of claim 19, wherein said pre-measured portion is selected from the group consisting of $\frac{3}{4}$ cup, $\frac{2}{3}$ cup, $\frac{1}{2}$ cup, $\frac{1}{3}$ cup, $\frac{1}{4}$ cup, and $\frac{1}{8}$ cup.

22.) The article of claim 19, wherein said plurality of bags comprises at least four bags.

30 23.) The article of claim 19, wherein each bag contains an identical pre-measured portion.

35 24.) The article of claim 19, wherein said plurality of bags are joined end to end in a chain.